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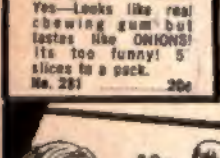

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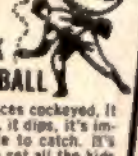

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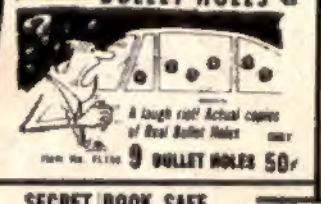

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THE DEVIL'S CAULDRON

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JOHNNY, HELP! SOME OF THEM HAVE ME!

HANG ON TO ME DARLING IF I DON'T FASTEN THIS.. THEY'LL ESCAPE FROM THE DEVIL'S CAULDRON!

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...A LONG, LONG TIME AGO! IT SMELLS MUSTY. AND THE POSTMARK.... IT'S DATED 1891!
I KNOW! THIS LETTER ISN'T TO ME.... IT'S FOR MY GREAT-GRAND FATHER, JOHN COTSWELD FORBES.... HE LIVED IN A MINING TOWN.... THERE WAS SOME DISASTER THERE.
WAS THE NAME OF THE TOWN BOYDSTON?
BOYDSTON? YES. YES, THAT WAS IT. THE ENTIRE TOWN DIED OVERNIGHT.
NO ONE EVER KNEW HOW OR WHY IT DIED.
OPEN THE LETTER, JOHN. MAYBE IT WILL TELL US SOMETHING.
LISTEN TO THIS, ELLEN.
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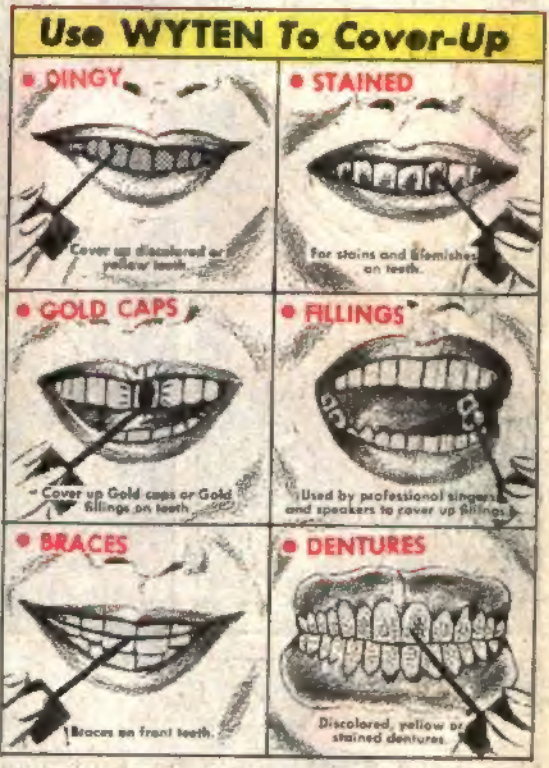

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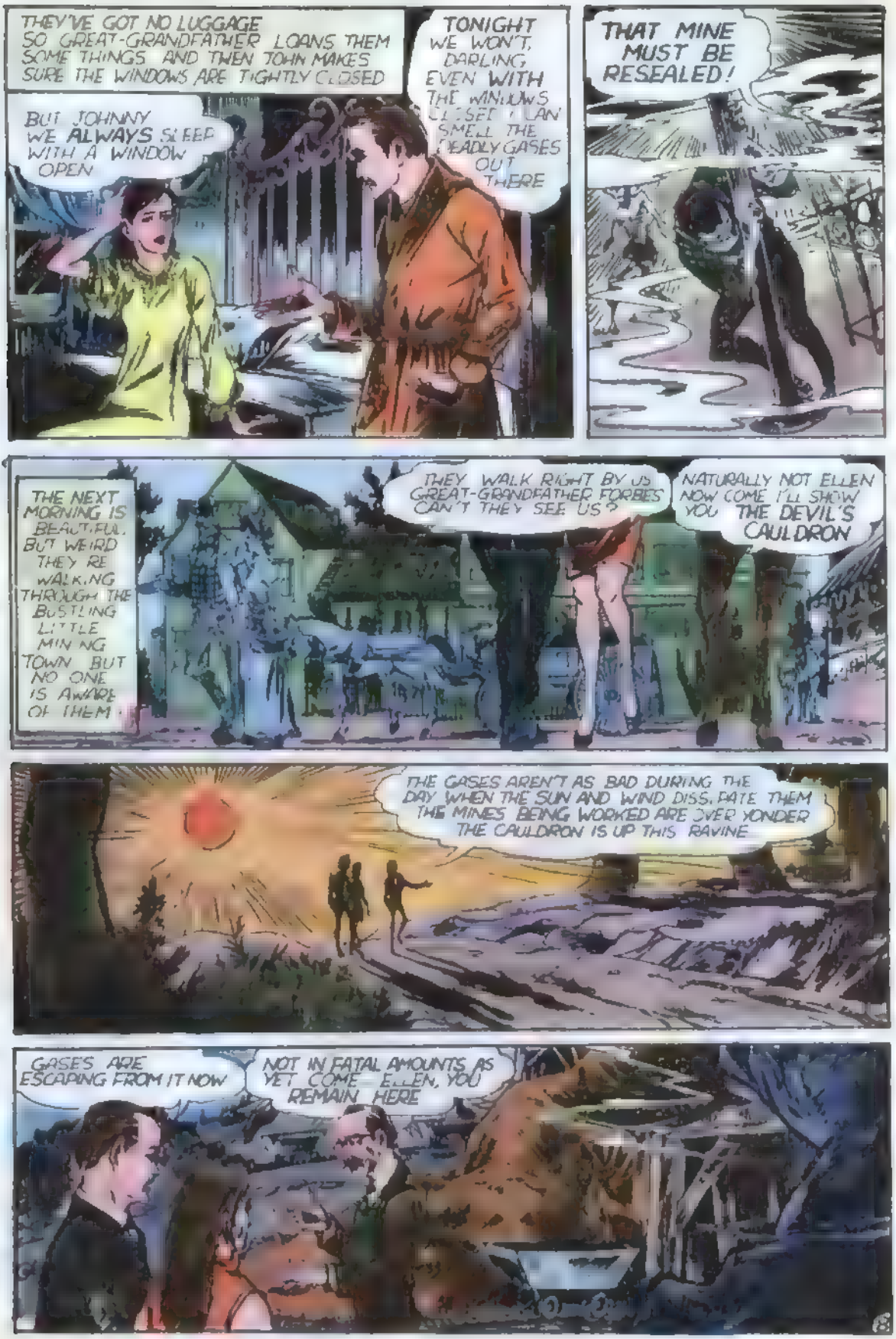
OHH... THE TRUNK IS BENDING UNDER OUR WEIGHT.
JOHNNY!
HANG ON! HERE'S MY HAND.
OOHH!
I... I ALMOST FELL.
I ALMOST FELL WITH YOU, ELLEN. I WASN'T MUCH HELP.
YOU DIDN'T...? THEN WHO GRABBED MY ARM AND STEADIED ME?
STOP IT, DARLING... DON'T LET YOUR IMAGINATION RUN AWAY WITH YOU. COME ON, BOYDSTON MUST BE QUITE NEAR. WE'LL TAKE THAT BUGGY.
OBVIOUSLY, JOHN AND ELLEN FORBES ARE EXPECTED. THE HORSE AND BUGGY ARE WAITING FOR THEM...

I'VE GOT THE ODDEST FEELING, JOHNNY. SOMETHING HAS CHANGED. BUT I DON'T KNOW WHAT IT IS.
HERE'S THE TRANSISTOR RADIO. TURN IT ON. GET SOME CHEERFUL MUSIC.
HAVE COURAGE, DARLING.
WH-WHO ARE YOU? WHAT'S GOING ON AROUND HERE? I'M JOHN FORBES.
I TOO AM JOHN FORBES.... YOUR GREAT-GRANDFATHER. THIS IS BOYDSTON IN THE YEAR 1891.
JOHN, HE'S TELLING THE TRUTH. LOOK AT THE GASLAMPS... AND THE STORES AND HOUSES. JOHN.... WHAT IS HAPPENING TO US?
THIS IS ODD. I PUT IN A FRESH BATTERY TODAY.... BUT IT'S DEAD ALREADY! NOT A SOUND....
THERE ARE LIGHTS AHEAD.
BOYDSTON. OR RATHER, THIS WAS BOYDSTON... JOHN AND ELLEN BOTH REALIZE THAT THIS IS NOT THEIR CENTURY. THEIR ERA

IF THIS IS A TRICK, I WARN YOU..
WOULD I PLAY A TRICK ON MY OWN KIN, JOHNNY ? RELAX MY DEAR.... YOU'LL COME TO NO HARM AT MY HANDS.
WHAT'S WRONG, SIR?
WE'D BETTER GET TO MY HOME. THEY MAY PROWL THE STREETS TONIGHT.. OR THERE MAY BE VAPORS.
ELLEN IS CHARMED AT THE BEAUTY OF THE OLD HOME. SHE WONDERS ABOUT THE REST OF
YOUR WIFE, SIR ? AND YOU MUST HAVE CHILDREN ?
MY TWO SONS ARE AWAY AT SCHOOL. THANK HEAVEN BUT MY WIFE
JOHN FORBES OPENS A DOOR AND WHEN IT SWINGS WIDE, ELLEN FORBES SEES THE WOMAN... SITTING IN A ROCKING CHAIR.. JUST AS SHE HAS BEEN FOR THREE DAYS
SHE HAD THE WINDOW OPEN IN THE ROOM WHEN IT CAME... SILENT, LIKE A THIEF, STEALING THE LIFE FROM HER BODY!
GOOD HEAVENS!

YOU WROTE THAT LETTER, DIDN'T YOU?
YES. MY SON WAS YOUR GRANDFATHER HE NEVER RETURNED TO BOYDSTON. YOU SEE .. SO HE SURVIVED.
I HOPED YOU COULD GET HERE IN TIME TO SAVE THIS TOWN . BUT I BELIEVE YOU'RE TOO LATE... IT'S ALREADY BEGUN.
WHAT HAS. SIR? WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
THIS TOWN. IT WILL DIE VERY SOON!
DOES THAT SMELL HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH IT, SIR?
YES. IT'S A DEADLY GAS.... RELEASED FROM THE BOWELS OF THE EARTH. UP FROM A FORBIDDEN MINE WE SEALED THE MINE CALLED ..
.... THE DEVIL'S CAULDRON!
BUT IF YOU SEALED THE MINE, SIR ..
THEY OPENED IT.... THEY WANT THE REST OF US TO BE AS DEAD AS THEY ARE!


THEY'VE GOT NO LUGGAGE SO GREAT-GRANDFATHER LOANS THEM SOME THINGS AND THEN JOHN MAKES SURE THE WINDOWS ARE TIGHTLY CLOSED
BUT JOHNNY WE ALWAYS SLEEP WITH A WINDOW OPEN
TONIGHT WE WON'T, DARLING, EVEN WITH THE WINDOWS CLOSED I CAN SMELL THE DEADLY GASES OUT THERE
THAT MINE MUST BE RESEALED!
THE NEXT MORNING IS BEAUTIFUL BUT WEIRD THEY RE WALKING THROUGH THE BUSTLING LITTLE MINING TOWN BUT NO ONE IS AWARE OF THEM
THEY WALK RIGHT BY US GREAT-GRANDFATHER FORBES CAN'T THEY SEE US?
NATURALLY NOT ELLEN NOW COME, I'LL SHOW YOU THE DEVIL'S CAULDRON
THE GASES AREN'T AS BAD DURING THE DAY WHEN THE SUN AND WIND DISSIPATE THEM THE MINES BEING WORKED ARE OVER YONDER THE CAULDRON IS UP THIS RAVINE
GASES ARE ESCAPING FROM IT NOW
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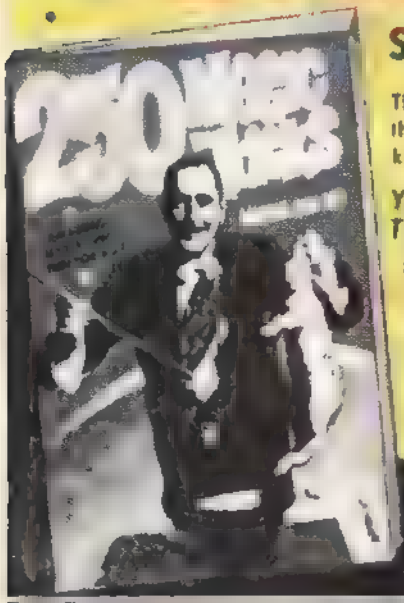

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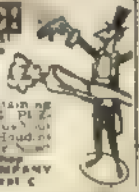

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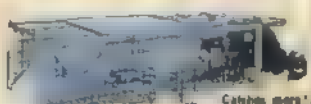

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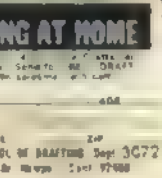

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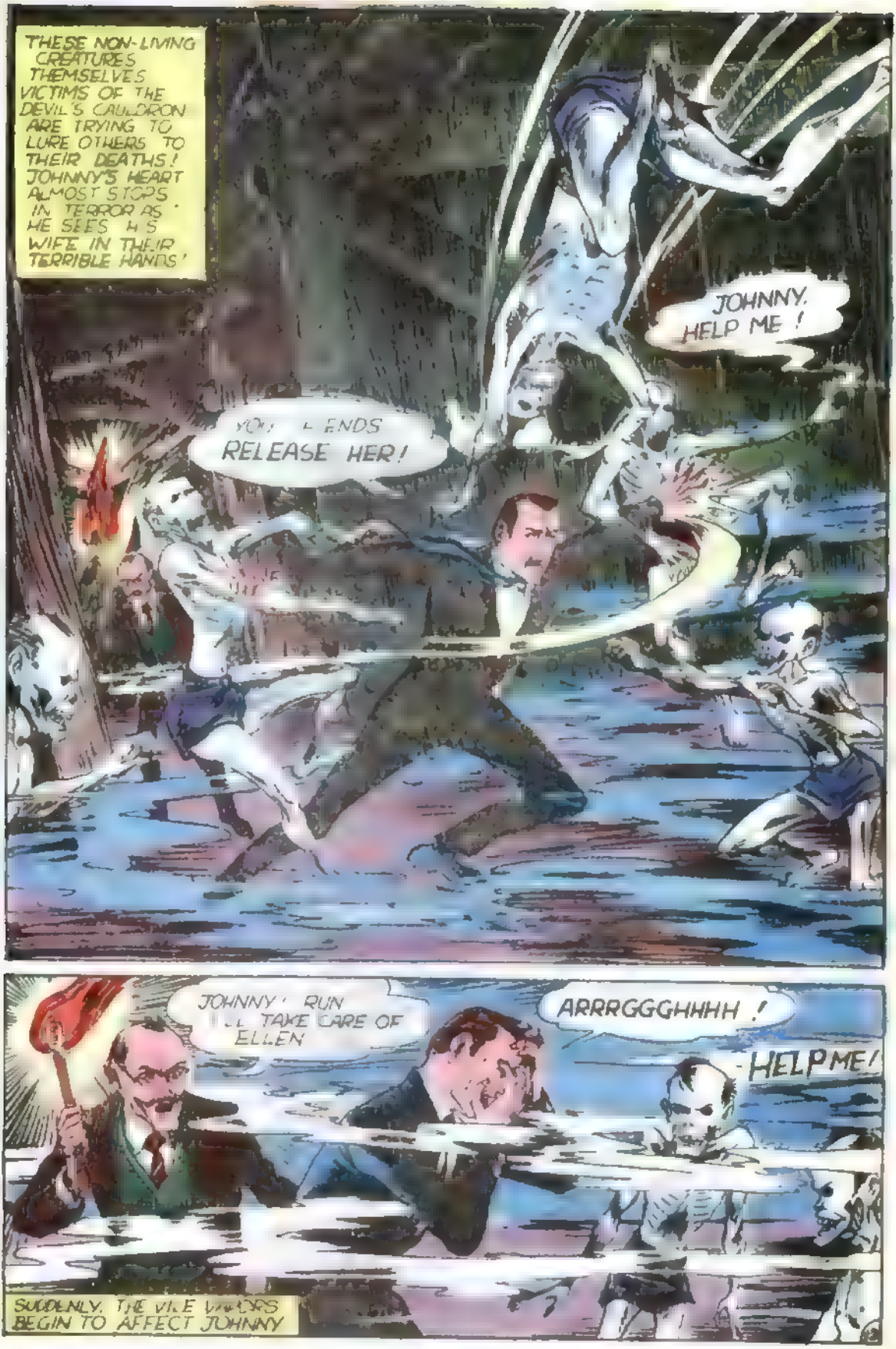
A SCREAM OF PURE TERROR KNIFES THROUGH JOHNNY'S EARS, SPEARS INTO HIS BRAIN
THAT'S ELLEN!
COME ON, JOHNNY! SOMEHOW THEY GOT HER INSIDE THE DOOR!
HELP ME, JOHNNY HELP ME!
THEY'RE TRYING TO KEEP US OUT! FIGHT YOUR WAY INSIDE THE DOOR!
ELLEN!
JOHNNY!
I'M COMING, ELLEN!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JOHNNY, HELP ME!
YOU FIENDS RELEASE HER!
JOHNNY! RUN I'LL TAKE CARE OF ELLEN
ARRRGGGHHHH!
HELP ME!
SUDDENLY, THE VILE VAMPIRES BEGIN TO AFFECT JOHNNY

IS THIS THE END FOR THESE TWO YOUNG PEOPLE LURED OUT OF THEIR TIME INTO THIS FOUL ABYSS?
JOHNNY!
RELEASE HER! SHE HAS NO PART IN THIS! LET HER GO; I SAY!
DO SOMETHING!
YOU PAWNS OF SATAN!
UUHHH!
THE BLAZING TORCH IGNITES A POCKET OF COAL GAS AND SUDDENLY HELLFIRE RIPS THROUGH THE ANCIENT MINE!

WHEN JOHNNY RECOVERS CONSCIOUSNESS HIS FIRST THOUGHT IS FOR
ELLEN
WHERE'S ELLEN?
ELLEN!
ELLEN! I'VE GOT TO GET HER OUT OF THIS PLACE!
SHE SHE'S BREATHING I SHOULDN'T HAVE BROUGHT HER
STAND ASIDE YOU WRETCHES. I'M TAKING HER PAST THAT DOOR!
THE DEADLY VAPORS ARE GETTING STRONGER AGAIN. JOHNNY KNOWS HIS STRENGTH IS WANING FAST!
GET OUT OF MY WAY, YOU VILE CARRION! WE ARE LIVING.... YOU HAVE NO BUSINESS WITH US

THEY DO NOT SPEAK BUT THEIR INTENTIONS ARE PLAINLY HOSTILE! ONE POINTS ANOTHER MAKES FRENZIED SIGNALS TO SOMEONE DEEPER IN THE BOWELS OF THIS MAN-MADE HELL!
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IN RESPONSE TO THIS SIGNAL, THREE OF THEM HEAVE AT A BOULDER BLOCKING A VENTILATION SHAFT!
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COME ON, ELLEN THIS WILL KILL EVERYTHING IT TOUCHES!
OH JOHNNY
WHAT ABOUT THE TOWN? DON'T YOU SEE? THIS IS HOW THE TOWN WAS MURDERED!
I UNDERSTAND NOW, ELLEN!

THAT'S WHY GREAT-GRANDFATHER FORBES SENT FOR US HE WANTED ME TO SAVE THE TOWN
RUN.. GET HELP IF YOU CAN.. BUT ABOVE ALL GET OUT OF THE DEVIL'S CAULDRON!
ALONE, JOHNNY PUSHES AGAINST THE PONDEROUS DOOR WHICH CAN CONCEIVABLY SAVE A TOWNFUL OF PEOPLE! HE EXERTS ALL HIS STRENGTH
IT IT ISN'T MOVING ELLEN, GO NOW!
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JOHNNY!
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ELLEN FALLS JOHNNY IS ALMOST UNCONSCIOUS TOO... BUT HE IS DRIVEN BY THE ONE OVERPOWERING NEED TO CLOSE OFF THE DEADLY SHAFT!

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MADE IT!
BUT THERE'S A HEAVY PADLOCK AND RING . IT'S AGONY FOR HIM TO MOVE NOW ..
LOCK MUST WEIGH A TON.
ONE OF THEM!
GET AWAY FROM ME!
... IT'S LOCKED!
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AND NOW...

THE GAS... IT'LL BE FATAL IF I DON'T GET HER OUTSIDE IN A HURRY
"THEY" SEEM TO BE PERISHING AS JOHNNY FIGHTS TO REACH THE SURFACE.
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SOON, JOHNNY EMERGES FROM THE MIND-BOGGLING LIMBO
WHAT'S THAT?
VOOOOOOOM
IS IT ONE OF "THEM"?
A JET PLANE?
ELLEN! DARLING, WAKE UP!
DARLING, IT'S ALL OVER! WE'RE STILL ALIVE!
SWEETHEART! YOU CAN'T DIE NOW! I WON'T LET YOU!
J-JOHNNY, ARE TH-THEY GONE?
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BUT WHERE ARE WE? IS IT 1891? ARE WE STRANDED HERE FOR THE REST OF OUR LIVES?

ONE OF THOSE NEVER FLEW OVER BOYDSTOWN IN GREAT-GRANDFATHER FORBES' DAY.
WHAT ABOUT BOYDSTON? DID WE SAVE IT JOHNNY? OR IS IT JUST A ROTTING PILE OF LUMBER A GHOST TOWN?
HERE, ELLEN. TAKE A LOOK FOR YOURSELF
A HIGHWAY TRUCKS BUSES CARS IT'S SO BUSY!
HEADING INTO BOYDSTON
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SOMEHOW DELIVERED LATE ON PURPOSE
IF IT HADN'T BEEN FOR A OLD MUSTY LETTER DELIVERED 77 YEARS LATE
I DON'T KNOW
WHATEVER HAPPENED TO GREAT-GRANDFATHER FORBES?

HE JUST VANISHED DURING THAT FIRE IN THE DEVIL'S CAULDRON WHEN ALL OF THEM DROPPED YOU
BRRR! DON'T TALK ABOUT "THEM" ANYMORE I CAN STILL FEEL THEIR GHOULISH FINGERS ON MY SKIN
JOHNNY, LOOK! GREAT-GRANDFATHER'S GRAVE AND THE DATE
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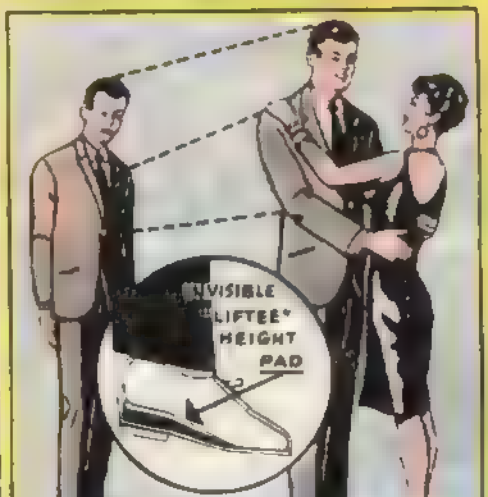

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"Your message was brief so I would appreciate it very much if you would give me some more facts," I replied. "And I want you to know that I have brought with me, my favorite German Shepherd dog, Chris. I have always felt that Chris is extremely sensitive to spirits from the other world. And that also includes skeletons from the past. So actually there will be two of us to help you."

"It begins with an old legend from the past. Before the Spanish Conquistadores came here," began Dr. Juan Garcia. "The God Ixhatcual before he left this earth gave a warning to his people. That he would return to warn them to leave in case a terrible disaster threatened them. And about twice a week during the past two months, his skeleton has been seen at night in the forest and country side. The natives are terrified. They have started to leave and are going to the other side of the mountain range."

"Have you seen the skeleton?" I asked.

"Yes," he slowly admitted. "With me were three soldiers and Colonel Barato. And then it vanished into the darkness."

"Where shall I make my headquarters," I asked.

"Senor Raul Domingo, who owns a very modern hacienda, has insisted that you be his guest. He will try to help you. I will drive you to his place."

The next day, Chris was sick. So we went to the office of Dr. Juan Garcia. He called in Dr. Pedor Salsa, who was a veterinarian.

"Your dog will be well in a day or two," he announced. "The bone made him ill. Because it wasn't a real bone but one made out of plastic materials coated with luminous paint."

"Then that means the skeleton is only a fake," I half shouted. "We have solved the case."

"Only half solved," said Dr. Juan Garcia. "What is the motive? Who wants to scare the natives? And why?"

"You forgot one possibility," I commented. "Who around here would be able to get the necessary materials to make such a ghost. Either controlled by people or perhaps by a radio control center. Take several days and check that out. Then we have the answer."

With the help of Colonel Barato and some of the Federal Authorities we got our answer within a week. Senor Raul Domingo had made a trip to the capital city. He had purchased plastic materials, luminous paint, and other items. That was all we needed. With a search warrant the authorities went through his place and found the "skeleton." The motive? He had stumbled upon the fact that the land owned by the natives had oil on it. To make them sell he had scared them!

I had not expected to see such a modern building in this part of the world. My host was a most gracious man and he filled me in on more details.

"I was educated in the United States," he began. "So you can see I place no stock in this nonsense. But we must help these people. I have given money to those that wanted to leave."

"That is very generous of you," I interrupted. "And I assume it was a gift for they are poor as I understand."

"Not exactly a gift," continued Senor Raul Domingo. "They gave me their land deeds. They insisted on doing this. As you will see, I own more land than I need. But here, poor or rich, there is a sense of honor among us."

For the next three days I visited different sections of the vast hacienda. Then during the night we made trips. And on the third night, I saw the skeleton. It was on the other side of the Marana River. Which separated the property of Senor Raul Domingo from the lands owned by the natives. I would say it was about eight to ten feet in height. My dog, Chris ran after that skeleton. And when he returned he had a bone in his mouth.

"Give me the bone, nice dog," said Senor Raul Domingo.

"I am certain that you know it is dangerous to try to take a bone from a dog," I warned. "He will chew on it for at least an hour."

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THIS CAN'T BE REAL! IT... IT'S A NIGHTMARE!
NOBODY IN CODFISH BAY'LL BELIEVE ME WHEN I TELL 'EM ABOUT THIS.
YOU GOOD SAXON BOY? DO OLAF ONE FAVOR.
THE BOAT WAS QUICKLY SEAWORTHY AND OLAF LIFTED THE BOY INTO IT. BEFORE HE SHOVED HIM BACK OUT INTO THE FOG, HE HANDED HIM...
YOUR KNIFE? B-BUT IT'S LIKE GOLD AN' IT HAS BITS O' GLASS STUCK IN THE HANDLE.
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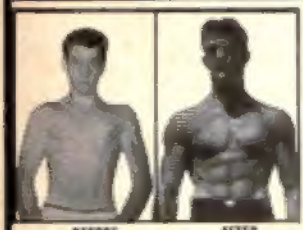

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